

Edward H. Knight Collection on Indianapolis City Market

L 522

1821-1968, bulk 1957-1965

4 mss. boxes

Rare Books and Manuscripts

Indiana State Library

Processed by: Christiana Baich, October 2005

Finding aid revised: Brittany Kropf, 11/06/2015

Biographical Note:

Edward Hussey Knight was born May 26, 1877, in Brazil, Indiana. His parents were George Armstrong Knight and Lucia Elizabeth (Hussey) Knight. He graduated from Wabash College in 1897 and then received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale University in 1898. In 1899, Knight received a Bachelor of Laws degree from Indiana Law School. He married Augusta Raible in 1908. They had no children.

Knight practiced law for 71 years in Clay and Marion counties. He also served as deputy Marion County prosecutor (1908-1909), Indianapolis city attorney (1927-1930), and corporation council for two terms (1930-1934, 1939-1943). During the late 1950s and 1960s, Knight was the principal attorney in litigation that saved the City Market, an Indianapolis landmark. He died at the age of 96 on March 7, 1974.

Scope and Content Note:

The materials in this collection fully document Knight's interest in the Indianapolis City Market and his work as an attorney to save the City Market from 1957-1968. Included are legal documents from the case, correspondence, clippings, copies of laws and regulations pertaining to the case, historical materials about the City Market, and photographs. The materials date from 1821 to 1968, with the bulk of the collection dating from 1957 to 1965. Many of the items have annotations written by Knight. There are also a few miscellaneous items also donated by Knight that do not relate to the City Market.

Participants in the case are attorneys for the plaintiff Edward H. Knight and Edward O. Snethen; plaintiffs Paul C. Wetter, Albert Steffey, Peter A. Corsaro, and Dorothy Poynter; attorneys for the defendant Michael B. Reddington, John J. Dillon, and William J. Wood; defendants City of Indianapolis, Mayor Phillip L. Bayt, Charles H. Boswell, David M. Silver, William H. Warren, Shirley E. Murphy, Jacob L. Steinmetz, Board of Public Works, Indianapolis Off-Street Parking Commission, Common Council, and Attorney General Edwin K. Steers; and Judge Robert G. Robb.

The collection largely follows Knight's original organization, which is roughly by stage of the case and defendant versus plaintiff documents. The materials were grouped together in manila envelopes, which have been retained in some cases because of their annotations.

Box and Folder Listing:

Box 1.

Folder

1. City Market File, 1950-1958
2. City Market File, 1958
3. City Market File, 1959-1961
4. City Market File, 1962-1964
5. Legal Brief of City of Indianapolis, 1962 Oct.
6. Legal Brief of Attorney General, 1962 Nov.
7. Supreme Court Appeal Documents, 1964-1965
8. Supreme Court Appeal Documents, 1965
9. Supreme Court Appeal Documents, 1966-1967
10. Supreme Court Appeal Documents, 1967-1968

Box 2.

Folder

1. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 1, 1964
2. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 1, 1964
3. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 1, 1964
4. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 1, 1964
5. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 2, 1964
6. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 2, 1964
7. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 2, 1964
8. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 3, 1964
9. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 3, 1964
10. Appellants' Brief, Vol. 3, 1964
11. Appellees' Brief, 1965
12. Appellants' Reply Brief, 1966

Box 3.

Folder

1. General Case File, 1958-1962
2. General Case File, 1962-1963
3. General Case File, 1964, n.d.
4. Correspondence and Research, 1957-1958, n.d.
5. Notes and Research, 1958, n.d.
6. Notes, 1958, n.d.
7. Notes, 1962-1964, n.d.
8. Misc. Case File, 1957-1962
9. Misc. Case File, 1958-1962, n.d.

10. City Market Ordinance, 1963-1964
11. City Market Ordinance, 1964
12. Separate 1965 Case to Protect City Market

Box 4.

Folder

1. Clippings, 1957-1958
 2. Clippings, 1959-1962
 3. Clippings, 1963
 4. Clippings, 1964-1968
 5. City Market Photographs, n.d.
 6. Maps and Drawings, 1821-1906
 7. Historical Information, 1870-1907
 8. Historical Information, 1922-1956
 9. Historical Information, 1956-1958
 10. Historical Information, 1958-1965, n.d.
 11. Historical Information-Legal, 1821-1959
 12. Non-City Market Materials, 1864-1967
-

Collection Information:

<i>Size of Collection:</i>	4 manuscript boxes
<i>Collection Dates:</i>	1821-1968, bulk 1967-1965
<i>Provenance:</i>	Edward H. Knight, August 1968
<i>Access:</i>	This collection is open for research.
<i>Restrictions:</i>	None
<i>Reproduction Rights:</i>	Permission to reproduce, exhibit, or publish material in this collection must be obtained from the Manuscript Section, Indiana State Library. Possession of a reproduction from an Indiana State Library collection does not constitute permission for use.
<i>Language</i>	Materials are entirely in English
<i>Alternate Formats:</i>	None
<i>Related Holdings:</i>	
<i>Notes:</i>	